Recommendation for Purchase of Boeing 757 Aircraft for Indian Airlines

2028. SHRI DINKARRAO GOVINDRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether a high level committee headed by Air Marshal Dil Bagh Singh and Shri J.R.D. Tata as one of its members has recommended the purchase of Boeing 757 aircraft for Indian Airlines; if so, what are the details of recommendations made;

(b) whether Government have accepted these recommendations; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) In 1985-86, a Sub-Committee of the Indian Airlines Board headed by ACM Dilbagh Singh recommended purchased of 12 B-757 aircraf during 1985—87. Shri J. R. D. Tata was not a member of this sub-Committee.

(b) and (c) With the approval of the Government, Indian Airlines had placed a Letter of Intent on Boeing Company for purchase of 12 B-757 aircraft which was subsequently withdrawn and order was placed for purchase of A-320 aircraft.

Wireless Communication Facilities to Non-Government Personnel

2029. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any wireless communication facilities have been provided to certain persons other than Government personnel;

(b) if so, on what grounds such facilities are granted; and

(c) what are the names of persons other than Government personnel throughout the country with their status and adresses to whom these facilities have been provided?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) For meeting wireless communication requirements relating to: Production, Transportation, Agriculture, Farms, Maintenance of Power lines, Security of the Plants, Airlines, Radio Amateur, Hobby etc., etc.

(c) The information, which is massive will be laid on the Table of the House.

Promotion of Oriental Studies and Indology in Foreign Countries

2030. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a Government's policy to encourage and promote oriental studies and Indology in foreign countries; and

(b) if so, what are the measures adopted and work done accordingly during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) The Government